

1     **ABSTRACT**

2             A request is received to play a first audio file and a second audio file. A  
3     system identifies a first effective start position and a fade-out position associated  
4     with the first audio file. The system also identifies a second effective start  
5     position associated with the second audio file. The first audio file is played from  
6     the first effective start position. When the fade-out position associated with the  
7     first audio file is reached, playback of the first audio file is faded-out while the  
8     second audio file is played from the second effective start position.

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